

CARP College of Southern Nevada Campus Talk On Sex and Morality

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On April 10th, students wearing bright red shirts saying "You Are Worth More" overflowed the campus at the College of Southern Nevada (CSN). The slogan connected to the theme of the Campus Talk event: "Sex and Morality: Confronting the Culture of Casual Sex," inspiring students to believe in a meaningful and lasting love that is worth more than the superficial love that is inherent in casual sex.

Over 110 people gathered for the event, including 7 faculty members, 65 CSN students and 30 CARP students and volunteers. Among the participants were CSN student government officials and student club leaders who genuinely care about the culture of their college campus and beyond.

The purpose of the event was to bring attention to issues that result from the culture of casual sex that permeates society. Throughout the day, students passed out many flyers at a booth in front of the school, and played beautiful music to draw attention to the booth. There were a handful of club leaders and representatives, as well as fellow CARP friends who supported as the main outreach team for the event.



The emcee, Mr. Ryota Naito, vice-president of CARP CSN, warmly welcomed everyone and opened up the program by conveying the importance of addressing the topic of sex and morality. He invited the audience to be open to learn more on the topic with a perspective of how being informed about sex and love connects us to lifelong happiness.

The first speaker was Professor Paul Herrle, a psychology professor who teaches Human Sexuality at CSN. He shared insightful data and statistics of the effects of sex and relationships on people's happiness and emotional health. He enlightened the audience by addressing many of the myths that young people believe about sexuality within today's culture.

Next, Ms. Janice Glasper, the dean of the Health Sciences department, shared the outcomes of casual sex through her own testimony of raising 3 children as a single mother. In her times of hardships, she realized that though she felt she was misused and mistreated by others and didn't have a role model of love, she needed to become the example for the sake of her children.

The last talk was delivered by Mr. Andrew Love, who is a mentor and communication director for a non-profit organization called High Noon. He passionately spoke about the importance of creating a powerful vision for oneself and one's future marriage and family, in order to fight against any obstacles that may hinder that vision. Through his humorous yet convincing stories, he was able to share the paramount importance of sexual integrity.



During a Q&A session, Professor Herrle went into greater depth of how media portrays sex and relationships affect men and women, and Dean Glasper expressed how her faith carried her through the hardest times of her life.

To conclude, a senator of the CSN student government Ms. Vivien Brock was invited to share about her challenging life experiences. The fellow students were moved by her story of resilience and her hopeful attitude.

Mr. Naito wrapped up the evening by encouraging the participants to plug into organizations and opportunities that are specialized in the area of sex and love, as well as connecting to clubs and communities of people who are striving to mature their character and quality of relationships.

This Campus Talk was a very impactful and enlightening experience for all who attended. One student was surprised by the statistics that were shared in the first talk because throughout his whole life, the concepts and attitudes that he had been taught contradicted these facts.

"I liked the talk a lot and I told my parents about it. They thought it was good that I was supporting a good cause like this one." - student participant

"The program was very informative and it has me reevaluating my life and my decisions." - student participant

Many participated shared that they wished the program was longer because they were so eager to learn more from the speakers. CARP will be hosted the same event at UNLV on the following week. Please stay tuned!

Few more testimonies given from students:

"This was the best event I've seen held in CSN! Usually you only see the same faces during the events. However, this event had so much diversity and so many people!" - senator of student government